GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
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Bio-Toilets
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) Â¬Â¬Â¬Â¬Â¬Â¬ the details of the progress made in the work related to the installation of bio-toilets in trains;
(b) whether the said work is progressing at a snails pace in West Central Railway Zone-Jabalpur and if so, the details thereof;
(c) whether mechanical staff and sweepers can not discharge their duties properly due to the overflow of toilets and hidden tool parts and also causing inconvenience to the passengers; and
(d) if so, whether the Government proposes to remove the shortcomings and expedite the work and if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)
(a) Bio-toilets, based on the indigenous design & technology developed in association with Defence Research & Development Organisation (DRDO), are being proliferated in the coaches of Indian Railways (IR). As on 28.02.2017, about 63,000 bio-toilets have been installed in passenger carrying coaches. Coaches equipped with bio-toilets are running in more than 800 trains over IR network.
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(b) No, Madam. In current year 2016-17, more than 2,500 bio-toilets have been installed in existing in-service old coaches in West Central Railway till 28.02.2017.
(c) & (d) Mechanical Staff are always endeavoring to ensure proper cleanliness and hygiene on trains. Improvement in design of bio-toilets is a continual process.

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